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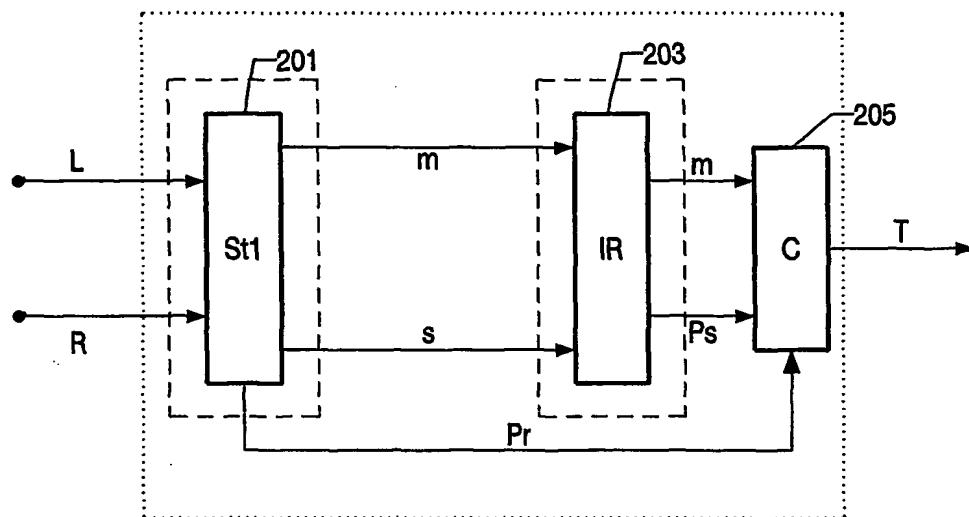
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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a method of encoding a main and a side signal that are generated by the first step of parametric stereo encoding. When encoding according to the present invention, firstly, the relation between the power spectral energies of the main and the side signal is kept intact per psycho acoustical band. Secondly, the side signal has to be uncorrelated with the main signal in psycho acoustical sense. The method of encoding the main and the side signal, according to the present invention, is twofold. Firstly, a filter is estimated which is able to re-instate the desired spectral amplitude relation and the temporal envelope.



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